

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-16 are presently pending in this case. Claims 1-5 and 11 are amended by the present amendment. As amended Claims 1-5 and 11 are supported by the original disclosure,¹ no new matter is added.

In the outstanding Official Action, Claims 1-4, 10, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Dworkin (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20020071540) in view of Achacoso et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20060090013, hereinafter “Achacoso”) and Dailey et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,363,352, hereinafter “Dailey”) and further in view of Takagi et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20020002584, hereinafter “Takagi”); and Claims 5-9 and 11-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Dworkin in view of Achacoso and Dailey.

The outstanding rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication that the proposed combinations do not describe the use of reservation information including a channel selection as provided in the telephone interview between Applicant’s representative and Examiner Huynh on November 30, 2009. Accordingly, the pending independent claims are amended to include this subject matter. Therefore, the pending claims are believed to patentably define over the proposed combination for this reason and for the reasons described in the Appeal Brief filed August 21, 2009.

¹See, e.g. Figure 10.

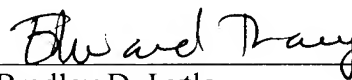
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Amendment

Accordingly, the pending claims are believed to be in condition for formal allowance.

An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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